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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: CASC, PFOR, IS

SUBJECT: BUDEIRI PROPERTY CLAIMS

1. FRED AND RUTH BUDEIRI, AMERICAN CITIZENS, HAVE BEEN TRYING OFF AND ON FOR FIFTEEN YEARS TO GET COMPENSATION FROM THE ISRAELI CUSTODIAN OF ABSENTEE PROPERTY FOR CERTAIN FAMILY PROPERTIES APPARENTLY EXPROPRIATED BY GOI IN 1948, AND MORE RECENTLY FOR PROPERTIES TAKEN IN EAST JERUSALEM AND THE WEST BANK. TO BEST OF OUR KNOWLEDGE, PROPERTIES WERE TAKEN AT TIMES WHEN THEY WERE OWNED BY NON-AMERICAN CITIZENS. WE THEREFORE CANNOT FORMALLY ESPOUSE THE BUDEIRIS' CLAIMS ON THEIR MERITS. HOWEVER, LENGTH OF TIME GOI HAS TAKEN TO CONSIDER THE CLAIMS AND GOI FAILURE TO GIVE A REASON WHEN IT DENIED THE CLAIMS IN AUGUST 1974, JUSTIFY OUR INQUIRING AS TO WHY PROCEEDINGS ARE SO LENGTHY AND WHY THE BUDEIRIS RECEIVED NO EXPLANATION FOR DENIAL OF THEIR CLAIMS.

2. WOULD APPRECIATE EMB MAKING APPROPRIATE INQUIRIES ABOUT THIS CASE. BUDEIRIS' LAST ATTORNEY (FROM WHOM THEY HAVE NOT HEARD IN MORE THAN A YEAR) IS ABRAHAM ANGEL, 10 LUNZ ST., JERUSALEM, TEL. 23-32-31. THE CUSTODIAN'S  
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DECISION DENYING THE CLAIMS WAS MADE IN AUGUST 1974 AND

REITERATED IN A LETTER OF 9TH JULY 1975 SIGNED BY S. SHAPIRA

OF THE CUSTODIAN'S OFFICE. THE REFERENCE NUMBER IN THE  
JULY LETTER IS 853/592.

3. EMB SHOULD MAKE CLEAR THAT USG NOT ESPOUSING CLAIMS  
PER SE -- WHICH WE THINK AT MOMENT WE HAVE NO STANDING  
TO DO -- BUT RATHER TAKING AN INTEREST IN DIFFICULTIES  
AMERICAN CITIZENS EXPERIENCING IN HAVING THEIR CLAIMS  
ADJUDICATED PROMPTLY AND IN RECEIVING RATIONALE FOR  
ACTIONS TAKEN BY GOI. KISSINGER

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